

RECOVERY FUNDS AT WORK IN OHIO'S SIXTH DISTRICT

Wilson Announces Ohio's Sixth District to Receive More Than \$600,000 in Health Center Funding from Recovery Act

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Congressman Charlie Wilson (OH-6) is pleased to announce that the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is releasing funding to Ohio's Sixth District as specified by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS

Ohio's Sixth District will receive more than \$600,000 to expand services offered at community health centers.

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, \$626,476 will go to six community health clinics in the Sixth District.

Ohio Hills Health Services is set to receive \$161,689. These funds will go toward hiring a part-time nurse practitioner and a nurse assistant at their facility in Woodsfield, Mahoning County, as well as an additional staffer at both their Barnesville and Woodsfield locations to coordinate a program that is designed to make prescription medication less expensive.

The Ironton-Lawrence County Community Action Organization will receive \$218,680. The organization will use the funds to hire a new full-time pediatrician, a diabetic educator, a nurse, and a front desk assistant, as well as one part-time nurse and one part-time support staffer.

The Community Action Agency of Columbiana County will receive \$246,107 from the Recovery Act for their facilities in Lisbon and East Liverpool. The funding will allow them to retain a part-time dentist two days a week. It will also help hire an additional nurse, expand their nurse practitioner position, and purchase much-needed medical equipment, including two prenatal monitoring devices, and a lead testing machine.

Finally, Family Healthcare, Inc. will be using Recovery Act funding to hire an additional physician at their clinic in Meigs County.

"Healthcare costs have increased four times faster than inflation and that's hit working families extremely hard. Many families rely on community health clinics as their main healthcare provider," Wilson said. "So, not only are these funds creating or saving at least 13 jobs in our region, but these funds are being invested in much needed healthcare."